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# New York City, New York State, and New Jersey



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This fact sheet presents recent **employment and unemployment** figures for New York City, New York State, New Jersey, and the United States. In addition, price and pay indexes for the larger metropolitan area that includes New York City are shown. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** measures price changes or inflation for particular commodities and services at the retail level. The **Producer Price Index (PPI)** measures price changes or inflation for particular commodities and services at the wholesale level and is widely used by business firms as an escalator in long-term contracts. The **Employment Cost Index (ECI)** measures price changes or inflation of labor costs which includes wages and salaries and employer costs for employee benefits. An **occupational pay relative** is a calculation of pay—wages, salaries, commissions, and production bonuses—for a given metropolitan area relative to the nation as a whole; the calculation controls for differences among areas in occupational composition, establishment, and occupational characteristics, and the fact that data are collected for areas at different times during the year.

Consumer Price Index (1982-84) = 100	Apr. 2005	Apr. 2006	Percent change
All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)			
U.S. City Average	194.6	201.5	3.5
Northeast	206.9	214.7	3.8
New York-Northern N.JLong Island	212.5	220.2	3.6
Urban Wage Earners & Clerical Workers			
U.S. City Average	190.2	197.2	3.7
Northeast	202.9	211.0	4.0
New York-Northern N.JLong Island	206.0	214.0	3.9
Producer Price Index, U.S.	Apr.	Apr.	Percent
(1982 = 100)	2005	2006 <sup>(p)</sup>	change
Finished goods	154.4	160.6	4.0
All commodities	155.0	163.8	5.7
Industrial commodities	157.2	168.2	7.0

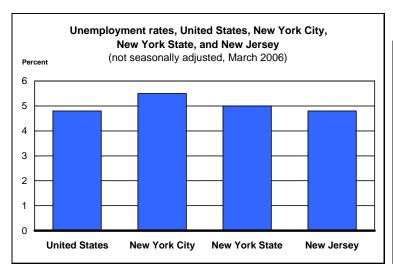
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# Unemployment levels, age 16 years and over

(not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	Mar. 2005	Mar. 2006 <sup>(p)</sup>	Net change	Percent change
United States	7,986.0	7,255.0	-731.0	-9.2
New York State	474.3	475.1	0.8	0.2
New York City	206.8	209.4	2.6	1.3
New Jersey	205.2	215.4	10.2	5.0

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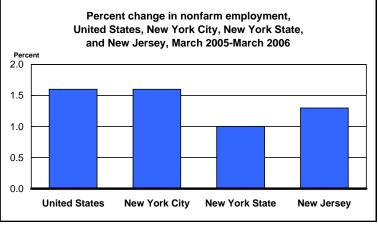
Employment Cost Index (December 2005) = 100	Mar. 2005	Mar. 2006	Percent change
Total Compensation-Private Industry			
United States	98.2	100.8	2.6
Northeast	97.6	100.9	3.4
Occupational pay relatives (U.S. = 100)		July 2004	
New York-Northern N.JLong Island			
All occupations	110		
Management, business, and financial	111		
Professional and related	115		
Service	110		
Sales and related	107		
Office and administrative support	114		
Construction and extraction	127		
Installation, maintenance, and repair	100		
Production	102		
Transportation and material moving	113		

# Nonfarm payroll employment

(not seasonally adjusted, in thousands)

Area	Mar. 2005	Mar. 2006 <sup>(p)</sup>	Net change	Percent change
United States	132,038.0	134,117.0	2,079.0	1.6
New York State	8,414.3	8,500.5	86.2	1.0
New York City	3,563.3	3,621.5	58.2	1.6
New Jersey	3,975.3	4,027.9	52.6	1.3

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